

Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Leon Valley, Texas, Tuesday, January 3, 2006 in the Leon Valley City Council Chambers, 6400 El Verde Road, Leon Valley, Texas

The City of Leon Valley, Texas, met in Regular Session on the 3rd day of January 2006 at 7:00 p.m., at Leon Valley City Council Chambers, for the purpose of the following business, to-wit:

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Riley called the meeting to order and asked that the minutes reflect that the following Council members were present: Maloy, Lange, Semmelmann, Dean and Rangel.

City Manager Cortes, City Secretary Black, Human Resources Officer/Assistant City Secretary Feutz, Fire Chief Irwin, Public Works Director Wright, Assistant Public Works Director Steele, Assistant Police Chief Wallace, Community Development Director Smith, Intern Caldera, and City Attorney Jacobson were also present.

Mayor Riley asked Pamela Newton to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consider approval of minutes of the City Council Workshop of November 28, 2005, the City Council Workshop of December 6, 2005 and the regular City Council meeting of December 6, 2005

A motion was made by Council member Rangel, seconded by Council member Dean, to approve the minutes of the City Council Workshop of November 28, 2005, the City Council Workshop of December 6, 2005, and the regular City Council Meeting of December 6, 2005. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Citizens to be heard and timing for objections to consent agenda

No citizens addressed Council at this time and there were no objections to the consent agenda.

Consent Agenda

M&C #01-01-06 - a request by the Public Works Department to complete the purchase of a Brake Drum/Disc Lathe from Beacon Automotive, L.P. Fiscal impact: \$5,399. \$5,410 for this purchase was budgeted and approved in the FY 2006 Budget. Staff recommends approval.

M&C #01-02-06 - a request by the Public Works Department to complete the purchase of a Computer Wheel Balancer from Beacon Automotive, L.P. Fiscal

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impact: \$3,045. \$3,140 for this purchase was budgeted and approved in the FY 2006 Budget. Staff recommends approval.

M&C #01-03-06 - a request by the Public Works Department to complete the purchase of a One-ton Truck through the Texas Building and Procurement Commission. Fiscal impact: \$21,631. \$20,000 for this purchase was budgeted and approved in the FY 2006 Budget. The additional costs will be paid for from savings on other budgeted capital items. Staff recommends approval.

A motion was made by Council member Maloy, seconded by Council member Semmelmann, to approve the consent agenda. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Public hearing to consider Replat #05-092 - A request by Ford Engineering Surveying on behalf of Sharon Ford, applicant and property owner, to replat Lot 62, Block 4, CB 5784, Crossways Subdivision Unit #5 to Lot 66, Block 4, CB 5784, Crossways Subdivision Unit #6 in the 6700 block of Poss Road. Staff recommends approval.

Community Development Director Melinda Smith presented the case to Council stating that it was a request by Ford Engineering, agent for Sharon Ford, the property owner, to replat Lot 62, Block 4, CB 5784, Crossways Subdivision Unit #5 and a remaining portion of Lots 6 and 7, Leon Valley Addition to Lot 66, Block 4, CB 5784, Crossways Subdivision Unit #6 in the 6700 block of Poss Road. Ms. Smith reported that the applicant submitted a variance request to defer sidewalk construction until the building phase of the project. Ms. Smith informed Council that the replat request had no outstanding items and was in substantial conformance. She reported that six letters were mailed to property owners within 200 feet, no letters were received in favor nor in opposition to the case and no letters were returned undeliverable for the case. The applicant was not present at the meeting.

Mayor Riley opened the public hearing, but seeing no one from the audience who wished to address this item, Mayor Riley closed the public hearing at 7:07 p.m.

Following a brief Council discussion concerning project building plans and the age of the site's sanitary sewer line, a motion was made by Council member Maloy, seconded by Council member Rangel, to approve the replat with the requested variance to defer sidewalk construction as presented. Upon vote the motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

Consider M&C #01-04-06 - a request by the Public Works Department for authorization to enter into a funding agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) for the work associated with the lowering of Huebner Creek at Bandera Road. Fiscal impact: Estimated at \$215,869 which will be funded in the Enterprise Fund and apportioned into (74%) water and (26%) sewer. A portion of the funds normally used for the annual sewer rehabilitation project \$55,400 will be used to fund the sewer component and the remaining \$160,469

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will be requested from the Enterprise Fund Reserves. Staff recommends approval.

Assistant Public Works Director Orland Steele presented the request to Council asking Council to authorize the City Manager to execute the Advanced Funding Agreement with TXDOT in the amount of \$215,868.61 from the Enterprise Fund, to authorize a budget adjustment from the reserve fund in the amount of \$160,468 for the water component and to authorize the expenditure of \$55,399.68 from the FY 2006 Budget for the sewer component. Mr. Steel explained that the advanced funding agreement submitted by TXDOT supports the bid-opening by TXDOT for flood mitigation efforts to lower the Huebner Creek bed about five feet under Bandera Road.

After Council discussion, a motion was made by Council member Semmelmann, seconded by Council member Lange, to approve the request as presented. Upon vote the motion carried unanimously

Consider M&C #01-05-06 - a request by the Public Works Department to submit a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) grant application for the purchase of handicapped accessible playground equipment at Raymond Rimkus Park. Fiscal impact: Total project cost is estimated at \$183,704 with a City of Leon Valley matching portion not to exceed \$30,000 which will be budgeted for in the proposed FY 2007 Parks and Recreation Budget. Staff recommends approval.

City Intern Crystal Caldera presented the request to Council asking for authorization to submit an application to Bexar County for grant assistance, through the CDBG program, for a handicapped accessible playground in Raymond Rimkus Park. Ms. Caldera presented two scenarios to Council which would both require \$30,000 funding from the City and would use an additional \$3,000 pledged as a donation from the Rotary Club to support the project and would also reuse several existing play pieces in the park. Scenario one used a plastic playscape and scenario two used a wood playscape. Ms. Caldera informed Council that if the grant was awarded, a grant inter-local agreement would be submitted to Council in FY 2007 for their consideration.

Council members discussed their concerns regarding additional man hours required to maintain the additional park equipment, options for surface material, and the potential need for additional handicapped accessible parking.

Following Council discussion, a motion was made by Council member Lange, seconded by Council member Dean, to approve the request to proceed with the CDBG grant application for scenario one, as presented. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously. City Manager Cortes thanked Al Uvietta and the Rotary Club for their support on this project.

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Consider an Ordinance appointing a member to the Trade and Market Days Committee.

Mayor Riley presented the ordinance to Council appointing Carmen Valdez as a member to the Trade and Market Days Committee.

A motion was made by Council member Maloy, seconded by Council member Rangel, to approve the appointment of Carmen Valdez to the Trade and Market Days Committee. Upon vote the motion carried unanimously.

City Manager Report

City Manager Rick Cortes informed Council that letters had been sent to TXDOT regarding public safety issues: a request for additional street lighting and re-striping of the crosswalk to improve pedestrian safety on Bandera Road at the Timco Road intersection and for other public safety concerns with the Bandera Road fly-over project.

Mr. Cortes informed Council that the Bexar Appraisal District had notified him that Council's choice for the 2006-2007 Bexar Appraisal District Board of Directors had not received enough votes to be elected.

Mr. Cortes informed Council that the City had received a call from RWRDG with an opportunity for the City to lease an additional 85 acre feet of water for five years at \$77 per acre foot per year.

Mr. Cortes informed Council that the pear trees in front of City Hall would be removed by the end of the month for better viewing of the marquee and that the staff would work with using a xeriscape plan for the area.

He also informed Council that staff had another work session with Joe Gonzales regarding objectives based upon the goals set by Council in last month's workshop session. Mr. Cortes expressed his intent that the final draft should be ready for Council's consideration and adoption in March 2006.

Mr. Cortes publically thanked Assistant City Manager Gretchen Black for her help to him and wished her good luck with her new position with the City of Aransas Pass.

Mr. Cortes announced that a copy of the FY 2005 Audit was placed at each Council member's place for review and the presentation would be on the next agenda.

Citizens to Be Heard

Resident Pedro Esquivel expressed his appreciation to the Leon Valley Police Department for the assistance from both the dispatchers before his vacation and the patrol officers for their services while he was on vacation.

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Resident Marcy Meffert thanked everyone for their support of the Los Leones project. She also publically thanked Gretchen Black for her services to the City and the Council.

Announcements

Council member Maloy read an email she received expressing their appreciation for friendly police service.

Council member Lange informed Council of his attendance with the City Manager at a TXDOT Regional Mobility Meeting.

Council member Semmelmann reported that the Storm Water Committee was having a meeting on January 9, 2006 and that a storm water charge may be coming in the future. Council member Semmelmann asked the City Manager if the new City of San Antonio policy for impounding vehicles when the drivers could not provide proof of liability insurance was also a policy in the City of Leon Valley. City Manager Cortes stated that the City was reviewing liability issues with that practice.

Council member Dean thanked Gretchen Black for her service and wished her good luck in her new job.

Council member Rangel informed Council that the Civic Affairs Committee did not have a meeting in December.

Mayor Riley reminded everyone of the new city website www.cityofleonvalley.org and its interactive features. Mayor Riley announced that Council workshops would be held at 5:45 p.m. before City Council meetings and that a workshop would be held on water issues and dispatcher services before the next Council meeting. Mayor Riley presented a plaque, on behalf of the City Council, to Gretchen Black in appreciation for her services to the City for the last sixteen years.

Assistant City Manager Gretchen Black thanked the Mayor, Council, staff, and citizens for their support over the years.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before Council at this time, a motion was made by Council member Maloy, seconded by Council member Semmelmann, that the meeting adjourn. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Secretary